

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ENERGY DEVELOPMENT

Advancing Utah's Energy Future

Solar Tax Credit Application Guide













How to Apply for a Solar Rooftop Tax Credit

As a homeowner, you have two choices when applying for the tax credit:

- 1. Ask your solar contractor to submit an application on your behalf
 OR
 - 2. Complete the application yourself

If you decide to complete the application yourself, here is a **brief summary** of how to complete the application yourself (step-by-step instructions are available on the following pages):

- 1. Create an online account through the application website (https://oed.fluidreview.com/a/).
- 2. Collect these 4 documents to upload with your application:
 - a. A net metering agreement with your local utility (also known as a contract between you, the homeowner, and your local electrical utility provider, such as Rocky Mountain Power, that states any extra electricity generated from your array will be placed on to the utility's electricity grid), which must be **signed by both parties**
 - b. A schematic of the solar system (a schematic is a drawn representation of your system also known as a diagram, blueprint, or CADD file)
 - c. Final invoice for the solar array
 - d. Photos of the installed solar panels, inverter, and meter/disconnect box.
- 3. Create a new application in https://oed.fluidreview.com/a/. Carefully read and respond to the questions, and upload documents (preferably in PDF format).
- 4. Submit your application through https://oed.fluidreview.com/a/.
- 5. Allow 4 to 6 weeks to process.
- 6. If your application is accepted, you will receive a TC-40E form by email from energytaxcredits@utah.gov.
 - a. The form will be sent to the email address you used to create your account.
 - b. Please check your spam folder before contacting energytaxcredits@utah.gov about your application.
- 7. When filing your taxes:
 - a. You must file for the tax credit the year you installed your system.
 - b. You must select the Item 21, the "Renewable residential energy systems credit," in Part 4 of the Utah State tax form. **Do not select "Qualifying solar project credit."** This is incorrect and you may be subject to a tax audit.

The TC-40E form is for your records and does not need to be submitted with your tax documents.

The following pages provide step-by-step instructions for creating an account and submitting your application.









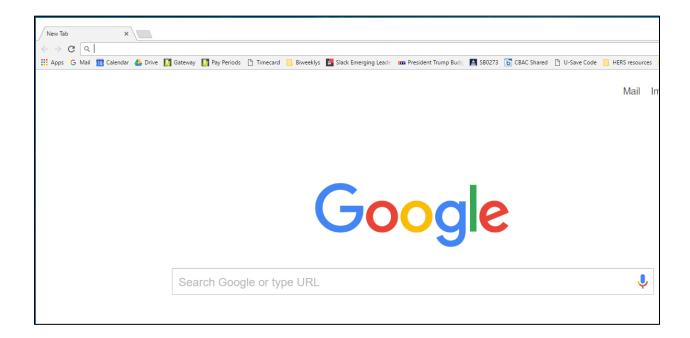




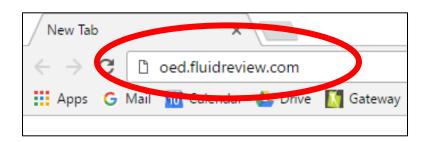
Step-by-Step Process for Submitting Your Application

STEP 1. Create an Online Account

Open a new page in your web browser:



Select the URL box and type in oed.fluidreview.com to access the website:





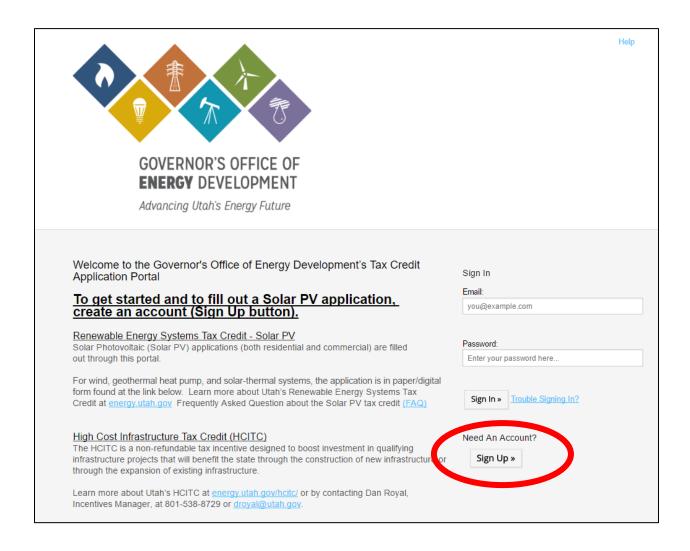








You will be taken to the start page. Select "Sign Up" to create a new account:







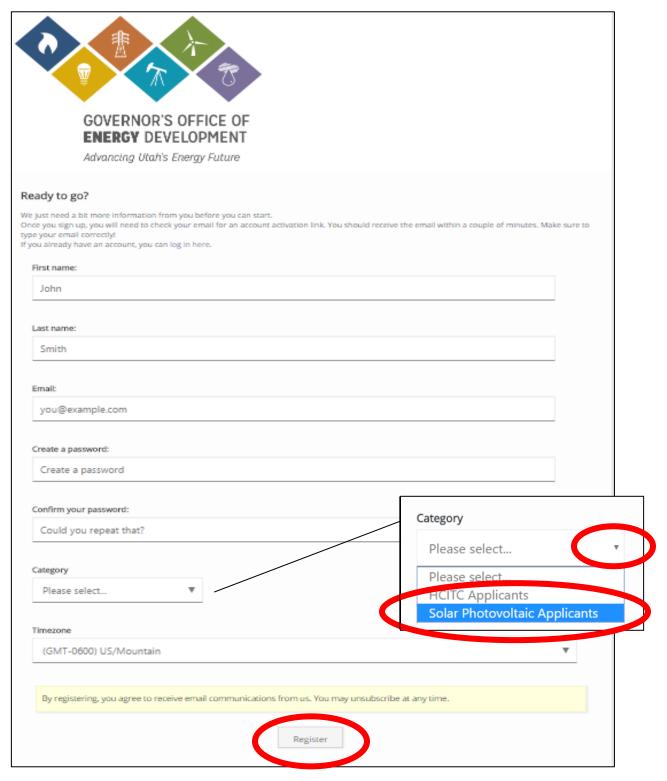








Fill out the registration page with your contact information. Select the arrow next to "Category" to open the drop box menu and select "Solar Photovoltaic Applicants." Select "Register" to complete your registration:







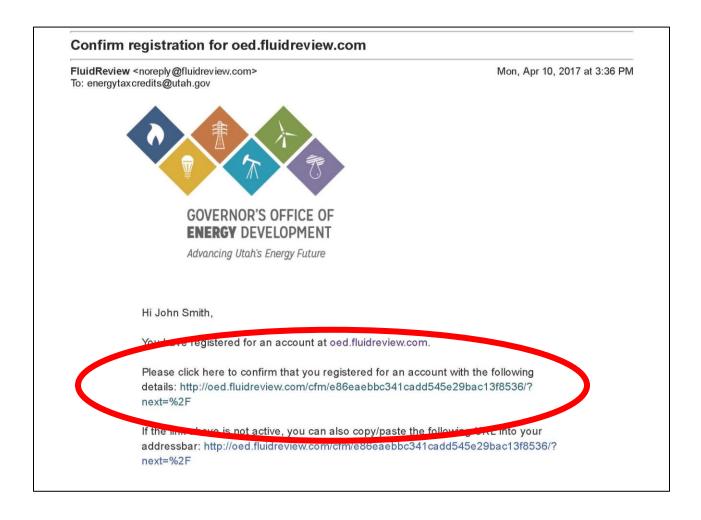








A message to activate your account will be sent to the email address you provided. Please check your email (and spam folder) for a message from noreply@fluidreview.com. Click the link to activate your account.









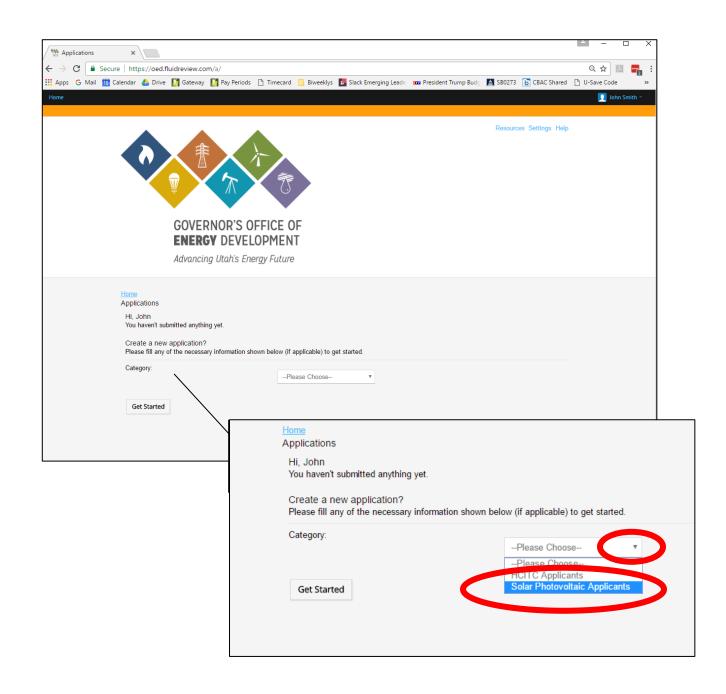






STEP 2. Create a New Application

Click on the link sent to your email. It will take you to the website to start a new application. Click the arrow next to "Category" and select "Solar Photovoltaic Applicants":







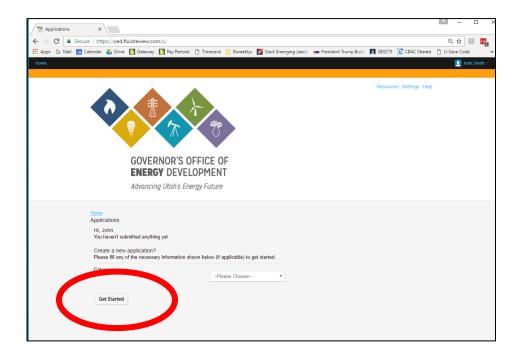








Select "Get Started":







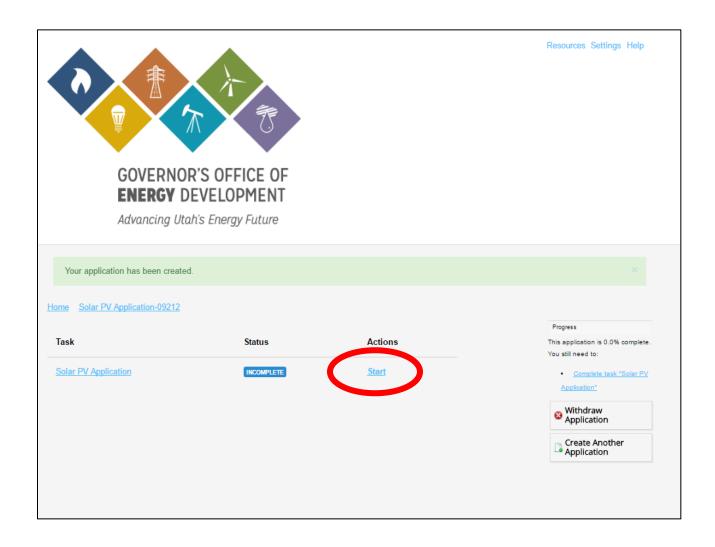








You will be taken to a new page to complete your application. Select "Start" to start your application:



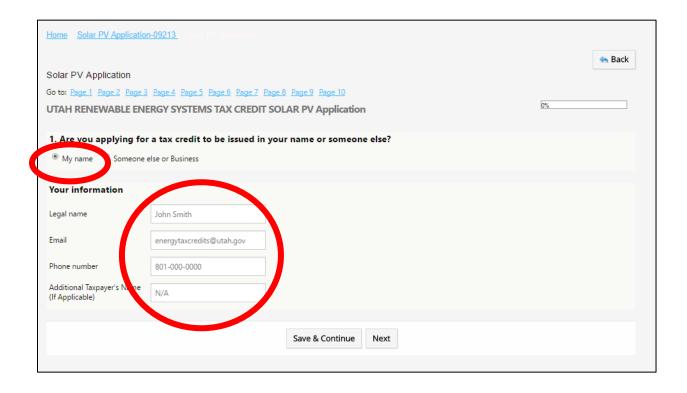




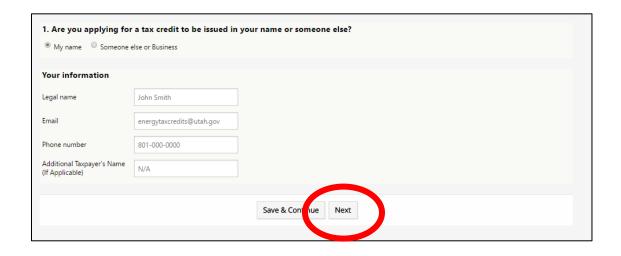




You will be taken to the first page of your application. Select "My name," provide your full legal name (for tax purposes), email address, phone number, and any other taxpayer's full legal name (for example, a spouse):



Select "Next" to move to page 2 of your application:







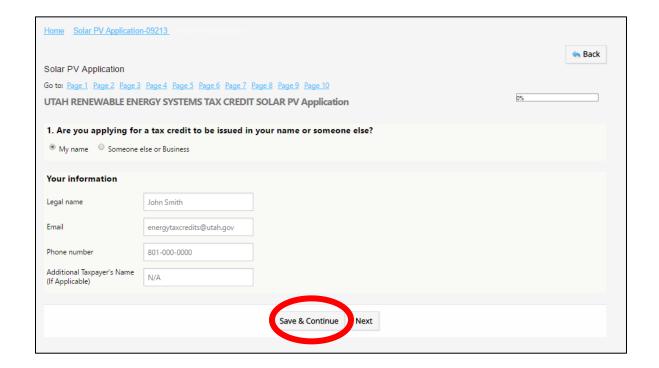








If you need to leave the website for any reason, select "Save & Continue" before exiting:



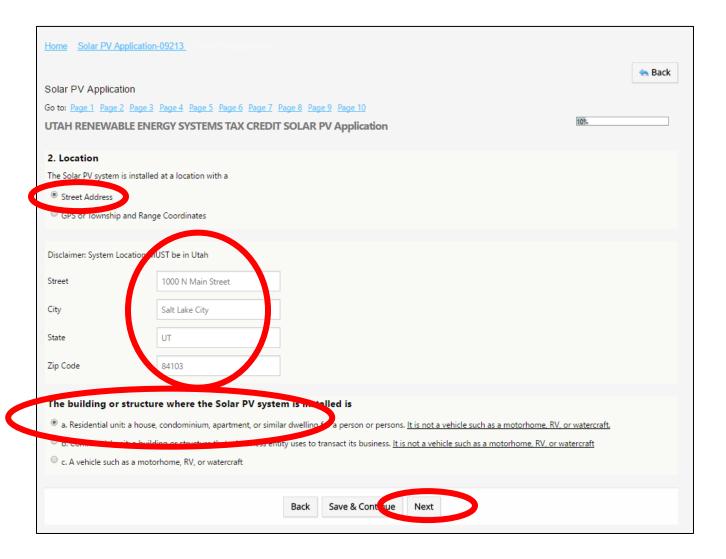








On page 2 of your application, select your location (the example here shows a Street Address). Provide your full street address. Select the building or structure type (the photo here shows an example with a Residential unit). Select "Next" to move to page 3 of your application:







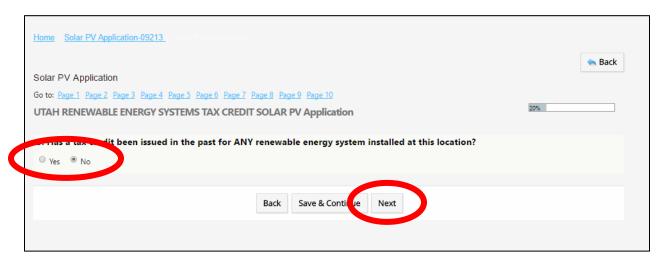




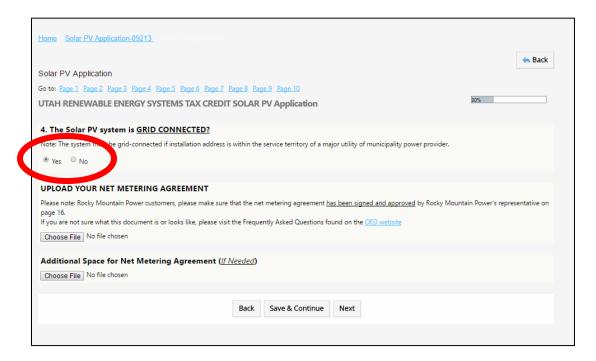




Select "Yes" or "No" if a tax credit has been issued for any renewable energy system at this location. Note: this program offers a one-time only tax credit. Select "Next" to move to page 4 of your application:



Select "Yes" or "No" if the solar PV system is connected to your local utility grid. Note: systems must be grid connected if the location is within the service territory of Rocky Mountain Power or a municipal power provider (for example, Provo City Power):















At this point in the application, you must upload your <u>signed</u> net metering agreement. The agreement must be signed by you, the homeowner, and the utility, such as Rocky Mountain Power. Here is an example of a signed net metering agreement:

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uSign Envelope ID: 6E2B2E51-2A29-4B1E-BC08-6D175DCE2B06 Service ID#: INTERCONNECTION AND NET METERING SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR NET METERING FACILITY LEVEL 1 INTERCONNECTION Signature Page 25 KW NAMEPLATE CAPACITY OR SMALLER This Interconnection and Net Metering Service Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into this 27 day of July ____ 2016 by and between _____ an electric customer ("Customer"), and PacifiCorp, dba Rocky Mountain Power ("Rocky Mountain Power"), a Corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Oregon. Customer and Rocky Mountain Power each may be (Page 16) referred to as a "Party", or collectively as the "Parties". Recitals: Whereas, Customer has installed or intends to install a Net Metering Facility qualifying for "Net Metering," Utah Rate Schedule No. 135 ("Schedule 135"), as given in Rocky Mountain Power's currently effective tariff as filed with the Public Service Commission of Utah ("Commission"), on or adjacent to Customer's premises located at 10.2 Changes to the Notice Information Utah ("Commission"), on or adjacent to Customer's premises located at _____, Utah, for the purpose of generating electric energy; Either Party may change this notice information by giving five (5) business days written notice prior to the effective date of the change. Whereas, Customer represents to Rocky Mountain Power that Customer either owns or leases its Net Metering Facility qualifying for Schedule 135, or meets the exemption requirements set forth in Utah Code § 54-2-1.16(d) because it is a county, municipality, city, requirements set from in total code § 34-2-1.10(d) because it is a country, municipantly, cry, town, other political subdivision, local district, special service district, state institution of higher education, school district, charter school, or any entity within the state system of public education; or an entity qualifying as a charitable organization under 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3) operated for religious, charitable, or educational purposes that is exempt from federal income tax and able to demonstrate its tax-exempt status; Rocky Mountain Power will maintain a record of the Net Metering Agreement and related Attachments, if any, for as long as the net metering arrangement is in place. Rocky Mountain Power will provide a copy of these records to Customer within fifteen (15) Business Days if a request is made in writing. Whereas, Customer desires to interconnect the Net Metering Facility with Rocky Mountain Power's distribution system consistent with the Application completed by on July 27, 2016, Customer as described in Appendix A ("Application") of this Agreement; and Article 11. Signatures IN WITNESSETH WHEREOF, the Parties have caused the Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives. Whereas, Customer, using its Net Metering Facility, intends to offset part or all of its electrical requirements supplied by Rocky Mountain Power. For the Customer: Now, therefore, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows: Title: Homeowner Rocky Mountain Power Interconnection and Net Metering Agreement Utah Form Ver. 3 - Level 1 Page 2 of $20\,$ For Rocky Mountain Power: Erik Anders AUG 1 5 2016 Rocky Mountain Power Interconnection and Net Metering Agreement Utah Form Ver, 3 - Level 1 Page 16 of 20





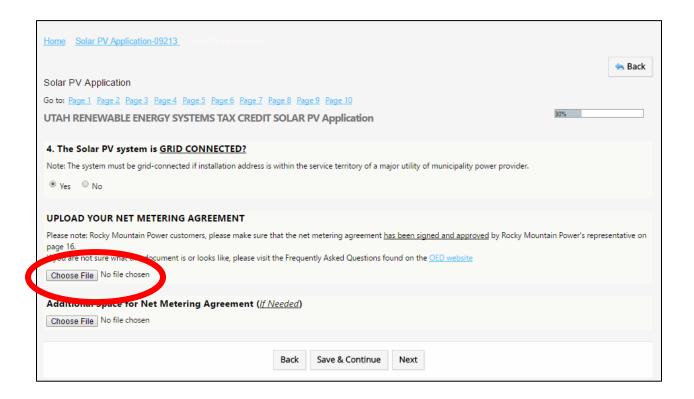




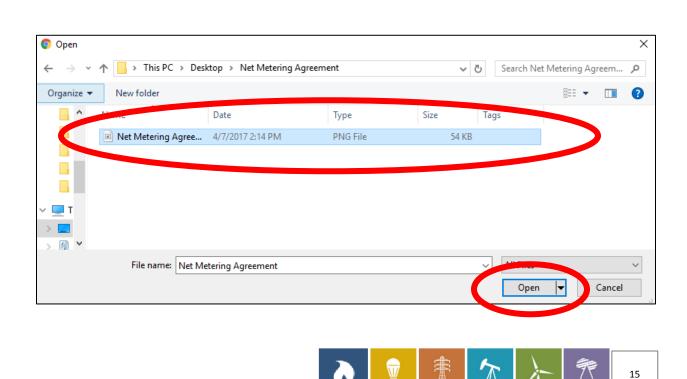




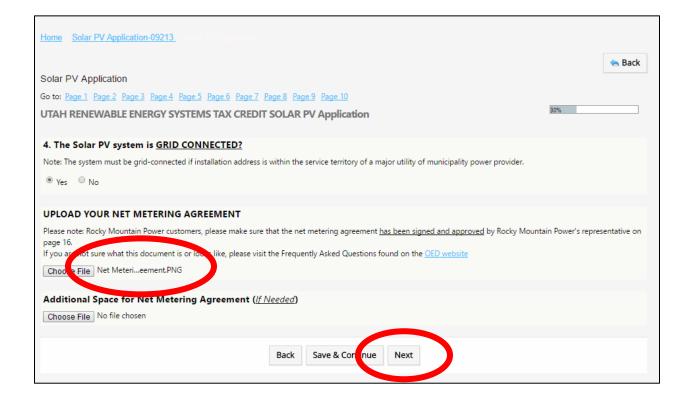
To upload your signed net metering agreement, select "Choose File":



Select the file to upload and select "Open":



If uploaded correctly, you will see a portion of the file name next to "Choose File." Select "Next" to move to Page 5 of your application:





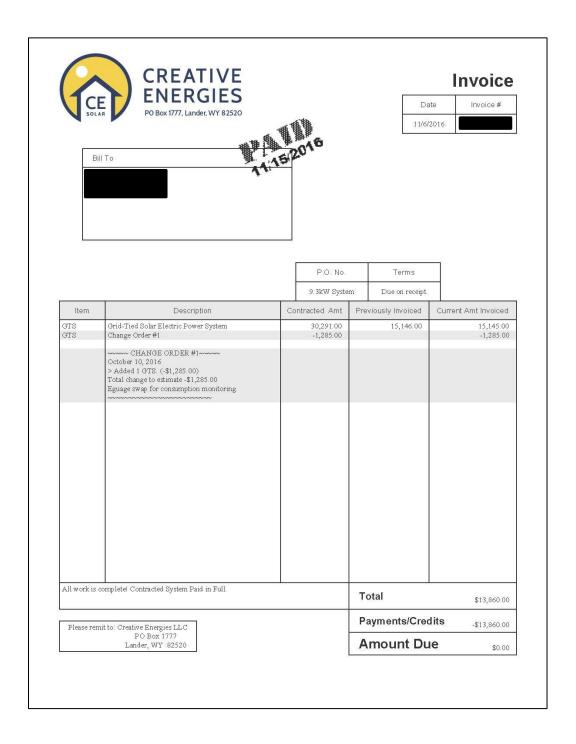








At this point in the application, you must upload your invoice. Here is an example of an acceptable invoice, note that the eligible cost is \$29006:





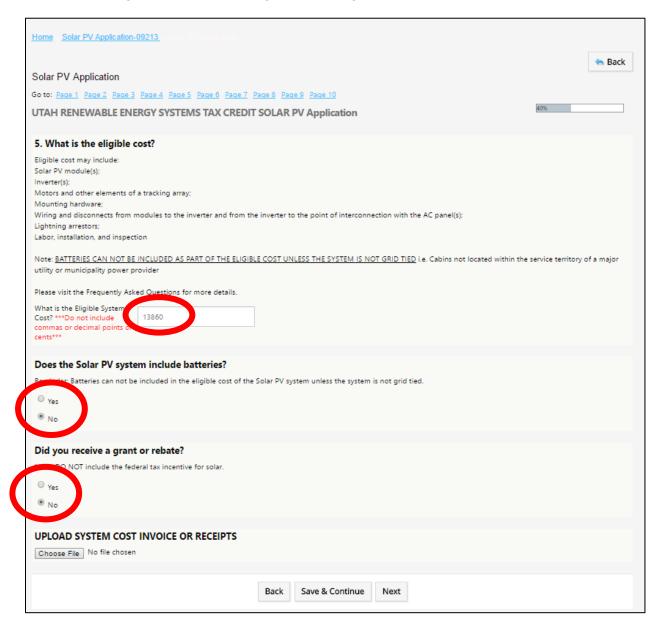






Type in the total eligible cost as reported on the invoice **rounded up to the nearest whole dollar amount**. The following costs are eligible for this tax credit: solar PV module(s), inverter(s), motors and other elements of a tracking array, mounting hardware, wiring and disconnects from modules to the inverter and from the inverter to the point of interconnection with the AC panel(s), lightning arrestors, and labor, installation, and inspection. **Do not include commas, decimal points, or cents**.

Select "Yes" or "No" if your system includes batteries. Select "Yes" or "No" if you received a grant or rebate for the system. If you received a grant, you simply need to provide how much you received in grant funds and who gave you the grant.







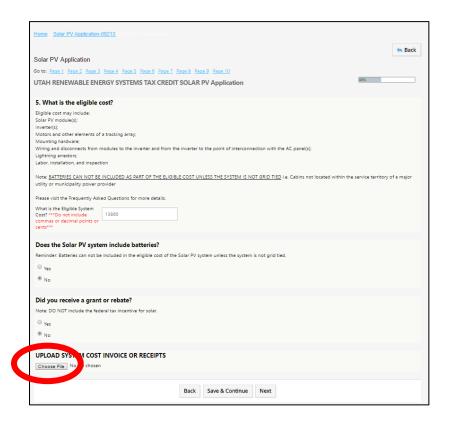




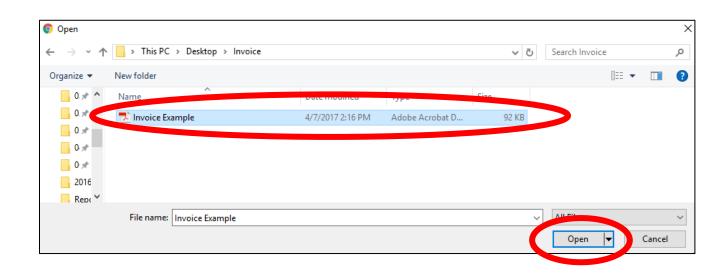




To upload your invoice, select "Choose File":



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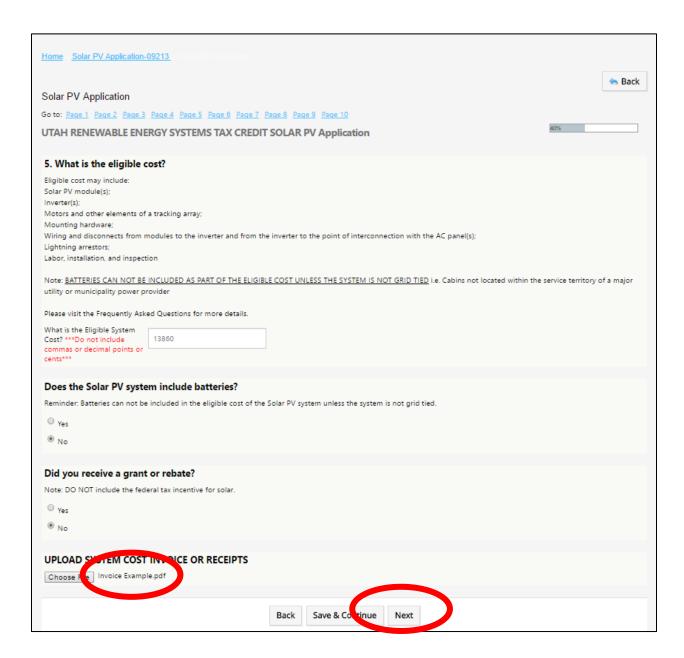








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Type in how many watts your solar PV system can produce. This information can be found in the schematic of your solar system (also known as a CADD or diagram). Most solar systems are described in kilowatts capacity; to convert a solar system from kilowatts to watts, multiple the size of the system by 1,000.

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a. MAKE	Enphase	
b. MODEL	S280	
9. Please certify that the PV MODULE(S) and INVERTERS are listed as eligible EQUIPMENT under the California Solar Initiative Program		
http://www.gosolarcalifornia.org/links/equipment_links.php ® Yes No		
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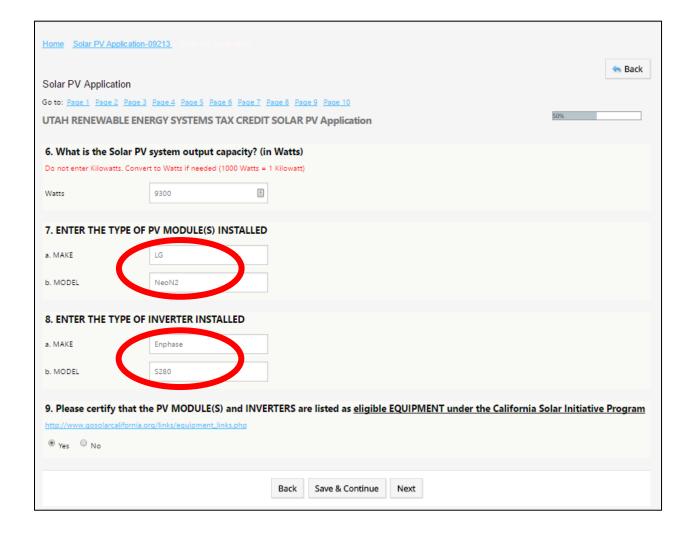








Type in the make and model of the solar PV module. Type in the make and model of the inverter. This information can also be found in the schematic of your solar system.









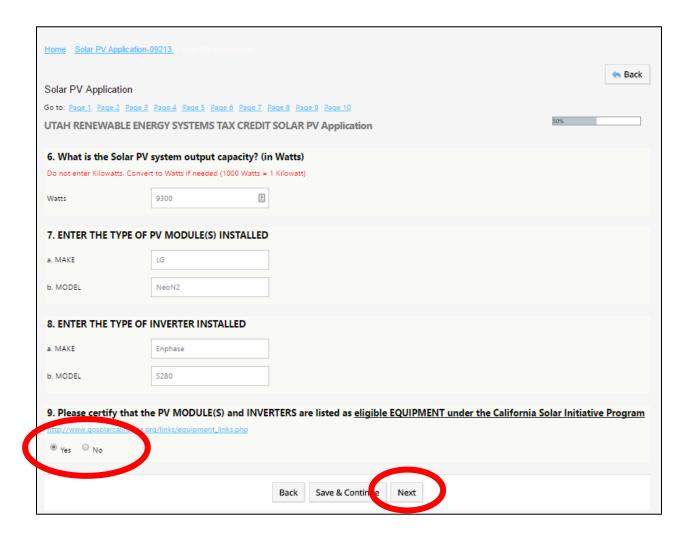






Indicate whether the solar PV module and inverters are listed as eligible equipment under the California Solar Initiative Program. This information can be found at: http://www.gosolarcalifornia.org/links/equipment_links.php.

Select "Next" to move to Page 7 of your application:







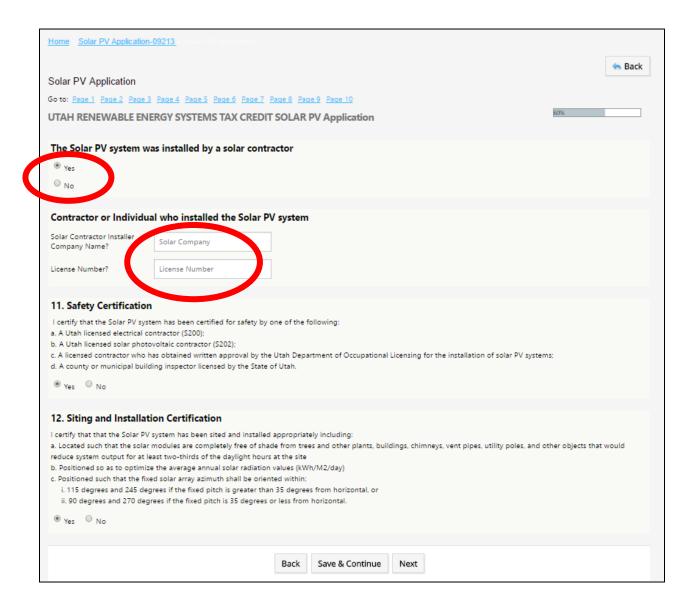






Indicate whether your solar system was installed by a solar contractor. If your solar system was installed by a contractor, provide the solar contractor name and their business license number. You can look up a license number by visiting:

https://secure.utah.gov/llv/search/index.html.







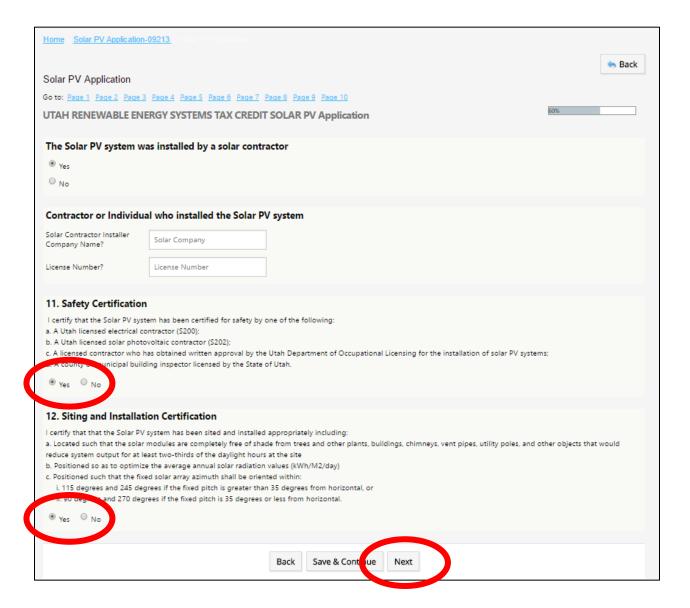








Indicate whether your solar PV system has been certified for safety by one of the following and indicate whether your solar PV system has been properly sited and installed. Select "Next" to move to Page 8 of your application:







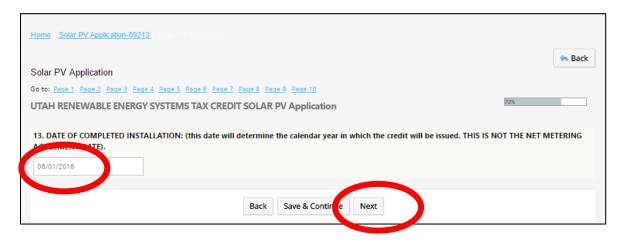




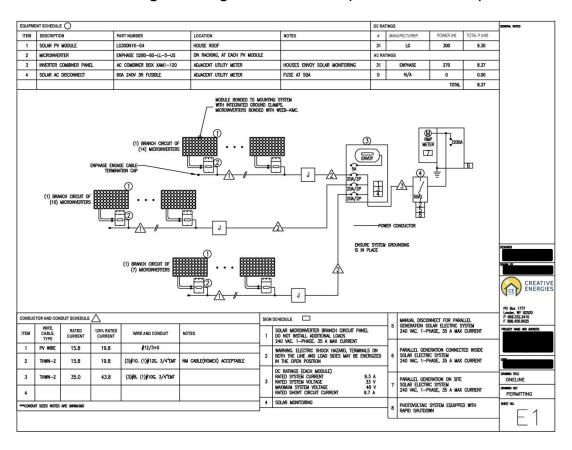




Type in the date your solar PV system was installed using the following month, day, year format – MM/DD/YYYY. Select "Next" to move to Page 9 of your application:



At this point in the application you will need to upload your schematic (also known as a CADD design or diagram). An example schematic is provided here:





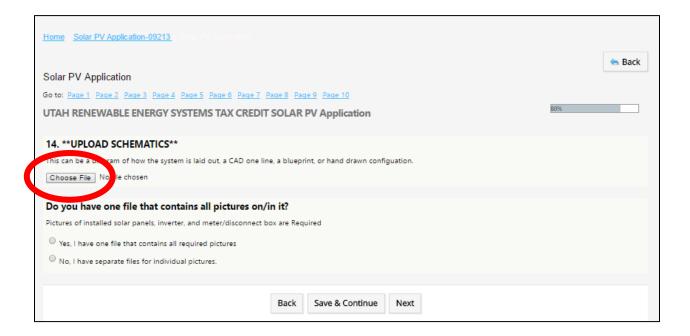




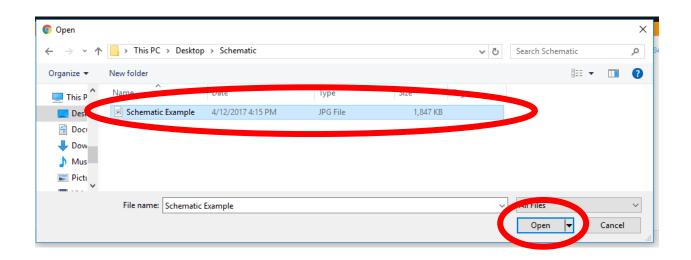




To upload your schematic, select "Choose File":



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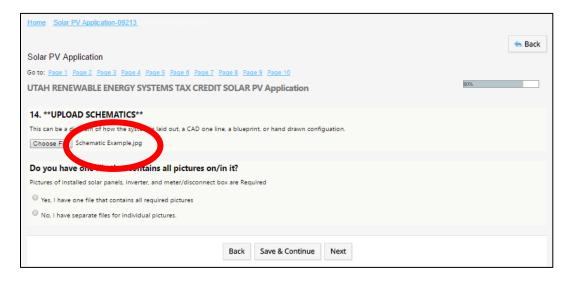




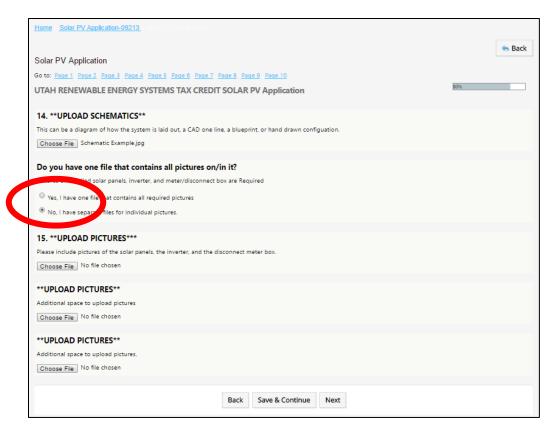




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Indicate whether you have one file or multiple, separate files of pictures. Submit pictures of your installed solar panels, inverter, and meter/disconnect box. The example here shows how to upload multiple, separate files of pictures.







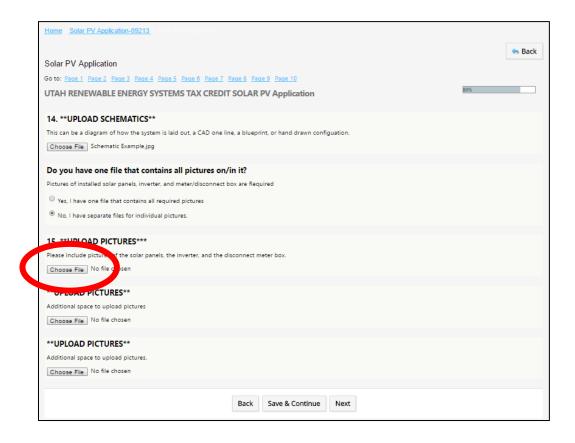




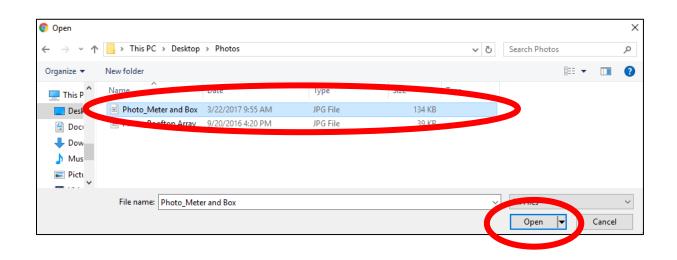




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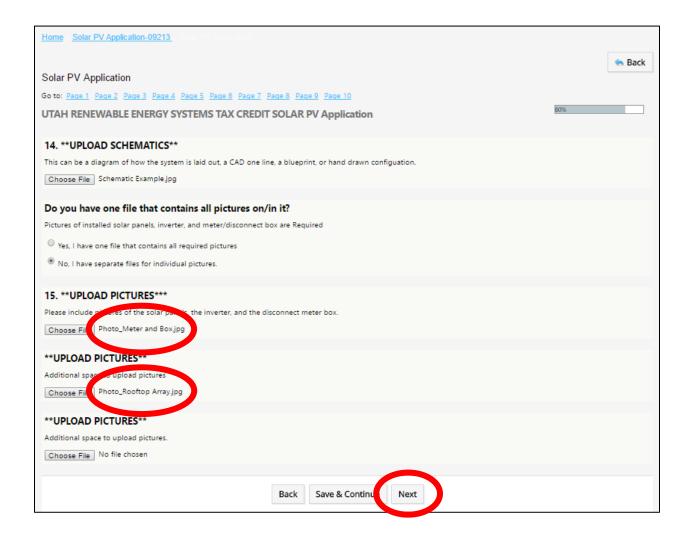




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Select "Next" to move to Page 10 of your application:







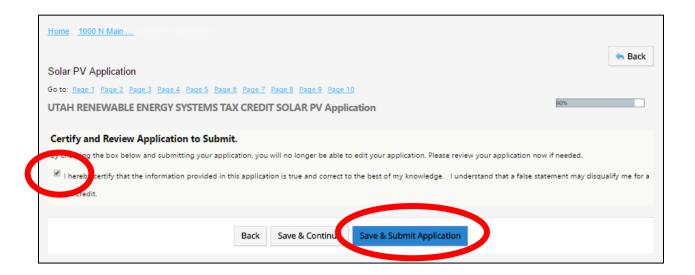








Indicate whether all of the information in your application is true and correct to the best of your knowledge. Select "Save & Submit Application" to submit your application for review.



Congratulations! You have submitted your application.

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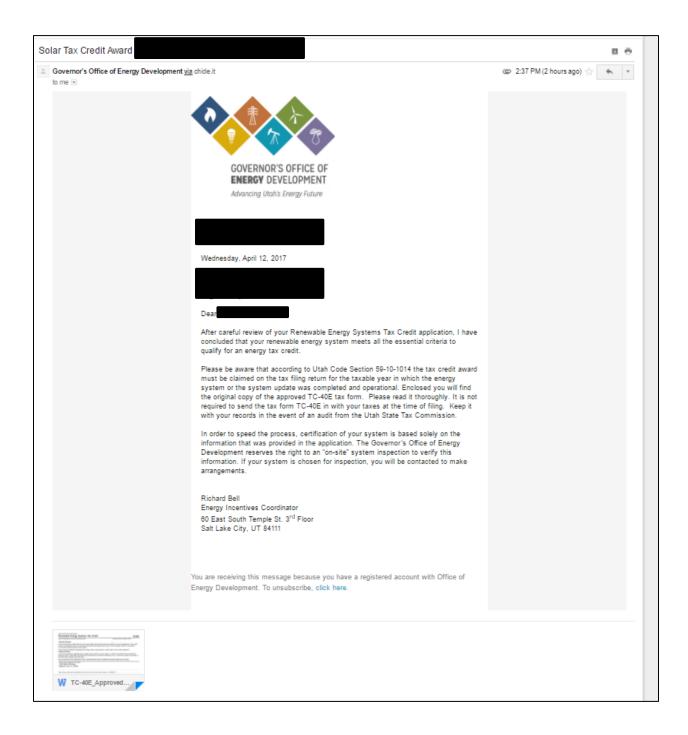








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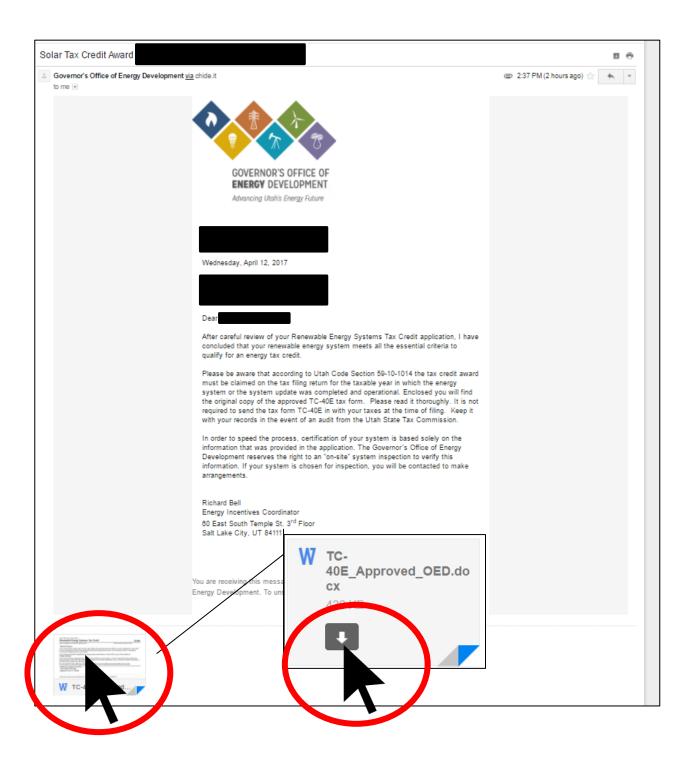








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